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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**METHOD AND APPARATUS OF OPTIMIZING DISCRETE DROP VOLUMES FOR
MULTIDROP CAPABLE INKJET PRINTERS****BEST AVAILABLE COPY**

The specification of which (check only one item below):

☐ is attached hereto.☒ was filed as United States Application Serial No. 09/940,195 on August 27, 2001 and
was amended on (if applicable).☐ was filed as PCT international application Number on and was amended under PCT Article 19 on (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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ASSIGNMENT

For good and valuable consideration received, including salary or payment for the making of inventions, or employee benefits, I/we do hereby assign to Eastman Kodak Company, a New Jersey corporation having a principal place of business in Rochester, New York, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest, including priority rights, in and to all of my/our inventions and improvements disclosed in an application for patent for

METHOD AND APPARATUS OF OPTIMIZING DISCRETE DROP VOLUMES FOR MULTIDROP CAPABLE INKJET PRINTERS

which is [check one]

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	a non-provisional application for patent executed on the date(s) shown below by:
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and [check one] ☐ about to be filed ☒ already filed as U.S. Ser. No. 09/940,195 on August 27, 2001
in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, together with said application, and any corresponding or counterpart provisional or non-provisional application, and any divisional, continuation, substitute, reissue, re-examination application thereof, and any applications, including international applications, corresponding or being a counterpart thereto in whole or in part in the United States and all other countries. I/We do hereby acknowledge that I/we were subject to an obligation of assignment to Eastman Kodak Company with respect to the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions at the time the inventions were made. I/We also do hereby assign to Eastman Kodak Company the entire right, title and interest in and to Letters Patent and similar protective rights granted on any of these applications, as well as the right to claim any applicable priority rights arising from any of these applications under the terms of any applicable conventions, treaties, statutes or regulations. I/We agree that any of these applications, at Eastman Kodak Company's sole discretion, may be filed and issued in the name of Eastman Kodak Company or its designee. I/We agree to execute such documents which in the judgment of Eastman Kodak Company may be necessary to obtain any such patents and similar protective rights and to maintain the title thereto in Eastman Kodak Company or its designee. I/We further agree that, upon request, but without out-of-pocket expense to myself/ourselves, I/we shall furnish to Eastman Kodak Company or its designee any data, information, exhibits, memoranda, or other evidence in my/our possession relating to any of said inventions or improvements and shall testify in any ex parte or inter partes legal or administrative proceedings relating thereto. I/We authorize and request issuance of all Letters Patent and similar protective rights that may be granted on any of these applications, to the extent that and in such manner as such issuance shall be requested by Eastman Kodak Company or its designee. This document shall be governed, construed and interpreted in all respects in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, USA.

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